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*Bldg & grounds*

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD


SUBJECT: Federal Highway Administration and National Park Service

1. Mr. Provan, assistant to Mr. Larry Casazza, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), telephoned urgently on the morning of 14 March to ask help in solving a problem which had arisen in the disputed area between Federal Highway and National Park Service (NPS) land. Specifically, Mr. Provan advised that a bulldozer had started to cut trees in this area to the distress of both NPS and FHWA people, all of whom desire to preserve these particular trees. The bulldozer operator reportedly said that only CIA could order the activity halted.

2. A call to the Office of Logistics ultimately produced clarifying information. It seems that the particular bulldozer had broken down some time ago and its assigned work, to cut a path for the erection of a portion of the fence, had to stop. Now the bulldozer, having been repaired, was again starting to cut these trees, obviously without regard to the pulling and hauling between NPS and FHWA which had been going on in the interim.

3. OL, through Mr. Harrington, GSA, issued instructions to cease the tree cutting until a further Agency go ahead is issued. NPS and FHWA are to meet further on the matter of the fence after Mr. Casazza returns from a trip. Hopefully we will then get the clarification which will permit a final decision on the bulldozing.

4. I passed this explanation to Mr. Provan.

  
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